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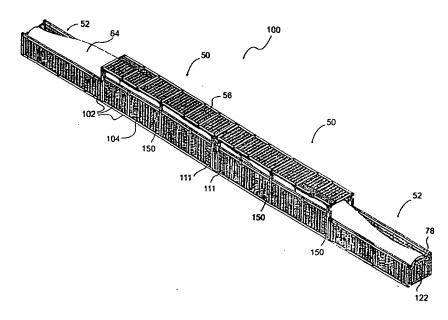
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(57) Abstract: A modularly extendable container system for transporting wind turbine blades is disclosed. The extendable container system includes at least one module (50, 52) configured to be connected to other modules. The module includes a box-shaped frame and corrugated side walls attached to the frame. The extendable container system further includes a connecting member positioned at each end of the module for connection between the module and the other module to extend the length of the container system.

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